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APPARATUS AND IMAGE DECODING  
METHOD

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to issuance of the patent, applicant respectfully requests entry on this amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 for the above-captioned patent application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 37 of this paper.